

(ONT – ISSO) Update 21 – Immediate Notification – Slow Roll Convoy – Windsor, ON – 07 February 2022

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NOTIFICATION - THREAT/EVENT: Slow Roll Convoy – Windsor, ON – 07 February 2022

Updates 21: At 00:00 ET, 14 February 2022, new information was received. Normal operations have now resumed at the Ambassador Bridge port of entry. (Source: CBSA)

- **Update 20:** At 21:17 ET on 13 February 2022, new information was received. Ambassador Bridge intends to open for full operation this evening, 13 February 2022, from 23:00 ET. This means that US and Canada processing at both Points of Entry will be occurring. This has been confirmed by Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) as well as United States Customs and Border Protection (US-CBP). Police have secured the Huron Church Road corridor to and from the Ambassador Bridge and have also indicated that the roadways to the bridge should be safe and secure to open the Ambassador this evening. Law enforcement presence and patrols will remain high in the area for the next foreseeable future. Estimates are that police will remain very visible in the area for up to three (3) weeks. Local road restrictions and barricades will also remain in place until further notice. The bridge opens for international commerce tonight at 23:00 ET. (Source: Transport Canada - ISSO)

- **Update 19:** At 17:23 ET on 13 February 2022, new information was received. Police enforcement actions continue with reports of 12 arrests being made and vehicles towed. Open sources indicate that the Windsor Police hope to reopen the Ambassador Bridge and the roadway leading to it later today should conditions permit. The NOTAM was extended to 14 February 2022 for airspace restrictions over the protest area. (Source: Public Safety)

Update 18: At 20:15 ET on 12 February 2022, new information was received. Due to the ongoing Ambassador Bridge protest the Windsor Fire and Rescue Service has been forced to close the College Avenue Fire Station due to protests blocked fire routes. The Windsor Port Authority offices in cooperation with Windsor Fire and Rescue Service has been designated

as a temporary fire station until 08:00 ET on Sunday, 13 February 2022. Windsor Fire and Rescue Service had posted one (1) fire crew and one (1) pumper truck to the location. Normal port operations continues. (Source: Transport Canada – MARSEC)

Update 17: At 13:03 ET on 12 February 2022, new information was received. As a result of the on-going situation in Windsor at the Ambassador Bridge, Essex Terminal Railway (ETR) has made the decision to return their staff and railway equipment back to Lincoln Yard and away from the area of the protest at this time. They will reattempt to possibly move through the area tomorrow. There will be no train movements through the rail crossing across the front of the Ambassador Bridge today. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – ISSO)

Update 16: At 11:54 ET on 12 February 2022, new information was received. Windsor-Detroit Tunnel have advised that Windsor Police Service continue to maintain a presence (2 parked, occupied police vehicles) at their location. Currently one police vehicle is located near the Canadian Plaza entrance point of the Windsor-Detroit Tunnel on Wyandotte Street East, and the other is located near exit point of the Windsor-Detroit Tunnel over on Park Street East. No unusual activity noted by the tunnel authority and traffic flows continue to run smoothly at this time. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – ISSO)

Update 15: At 10:08 ET on 12 February 2022, new information was received. Several busses carrying police personnel have arrived on site and law enforcement members have swelled in numbers and are currently staged. Police are slowly approaching protesters at this time. Action by police is continuing and this situation is very fluid and active at this time. Police have also brought in an APC (armoured personnel carrier) to assist if any issues arise as a result of their enforcement actions. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – ISSO)

Update 14: At 09:58 ET on 12 February 2022, new information was received. Essex Terminal Railway (ETR) have been directed to stop all operations this morning by law enforcement services dealing with the protest at the Ambassador Bridge. ETR currently has two locomotives parked and manned to the west of the protest location near Windsor Fire Hall #4. Their intention is to eventually get their railway equipment through this area and subsequently secure the train in Ojibway Rail Yard later today, if possible. They are currently awaiting further instructions from police if this will be possible. They have been requested by police to remain at a distance from the protest area which they are doing at this time. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – ISSO)

Update 13: At 09:39 ET on 12 February 2022, new information was received. Approximately 100 protesters are still on at this time in front of the Ambassador Bridge. Windsor Police Service have advised protesters that they intend to enforce an injunction on them today and have warned protesters to leave. As of 09:10 ET this morning, protesters did disassemble a temporary structure on Huron Church and also appeared to be packing various items up, however the numbers of protesters still remains at approximately 100. Police personnel and vehicle presence has also been slowly increasing in front of the Ambassador Bridge this morning. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – ISSO)

Update 12: At 07:47 ET on 12 February 2022, new information was received. As of 03:00 ET, there has been a significant reduction in the number of protesters on foot at the Huron Church/College Ave. intersection. A number of the protest vehicles have also left the area. Protest vehicles located on NB Huron Church have repositioned and are only obstructing the left lane at this time. As of 03:00 ET, only local law enforcement have Wyandotte St. W. blocked, there are no protest vehicles visible at this location. (Source: Transport Canada)

Update 11: At 20:14 ET on 11 February 2022, new information was received. Open source information shows the Ontario Superior Court has granted an injunction to the City of Windsor, ON giving protestors until 19:00 ET on 11 February 2022 to clear the blockade near the Ambassador Bridge. [Link](#). The Windsor Police Service issued a news release instructing protestors to disperse. [Link](#). Shortly after the news release, Windsor police provided notice to demonstrators that anyone involved in blocking streets must immediately cease unlawful activity or face charges, and that vehicles or other property related to the offence may be seized. Approximately 250-300 protestors remain in the area with 30 vehicles, no tractor-trailers. On 11 February, Ontario Premier Doug Ford declared a state of emergency in an effort to end truck convoy blockade. The Ontario cabinet was convened to urgently enact orders to protect critical infrastructure, such as border crossings, 400 series highways, airports, bridges, and railways. [Link](#). As of 18:47 ET, the Windsor-Detroit Tunnel has border wait time of 15 min for commercial and 15 min for traveller traffic. (Source: Transport Canada)

Update 10: At 12:38 19:03 ET on 11 February 2022, new information was received. Essex Terminal Railway (ETR) was contacted by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) as well as the Windsor Police Service (WPS) today with respect to having them shutdown their train operations over the weekend and possibly until further notice. ETR has a grade level crossing located at the foot of the Ambassador Bridge and have continued their operations through this area unimpeded since the protests at the Ambassador Bridge began. ETR's section of railway trackage runs parallel to College Avenue in Windsor, ON and is closely to where the protesters have converged from the Grade Level Crossing (approximately 40 meters away). It should be noted that protesters have not prevented railway operations or blocked any trackage during recent activities. This new action request by law enforcement (who are located in the area of the protest) is new and is currently being discussed with upper police management. ETR still intends to proceed through the area over the weekend period, with at least 4 railway movements (2 east, 2 west) which will take them over the crossing. Railway operations will be done until further notice, but may be stopped or impacted at the direction of authorities. The RDGO has been briefed on this matter. (Source: Transport Canada – HQ Region – ISSO)

Update 09: At 12:38 ET on 11 February 2022, new information was received. Despite the fact that convoy protesters have agreed to open one lane of Canada-bound traffic at the Ambassador Bridge, police do not consider this safe and therefore the Ambassador Bridge remains effectively closed. (Source: Transport Canada – HQ Region – ISSO)

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Update 08: At 11:15 ET, 11 February 2022, new information has been received. The Ambassador Bridge indicates that one lane has been opened to traffic. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – ISSO)

Update 07: At 12:34 ET, 10 February 2022, Transport Canada was advised by the Essex Terminal Railway (ETR), that while their railway proceeds directly in front of the Ambassador Bridge and in close proximity to the protesters, there has been minimal impact to their operations. ETR currently operates between four (4) and six (6) train movements with two (2) crews daily. ETR reports that there have not been any issues or indications of tampering to railway infrastructure. ETR remains in close contact with the WPS personnel who are on site in the event any further impacts to the railway occur. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – ISSO)

Update 06: As of 10:02 ET, 10 February 2022, the protesters continue to block all the exits from the Ambassador Bridge coming into Canada. Furthermore, all entrances from the Canadian side which proceeded onto the Ambassador Bridge that enter the US are now inaccessible due to the streets feeding the entrances within Windsor, ON are now blocked. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – ISSO)

Update 05: At 06:45 ET, 10 February 2022, new information was received. Protestors associated with Freedom Convoy have continued their blockade on city streets around Ambassador Bridge. Employees are able to report to work, alternate routes are being recommended if necessary. Protestors overwhelmed the Wyandotte/Patricia intersection where small amounts of US bound traffic were previously gaining access to the bridge. Trucks are now backed and have started spilling into neighbourhood streets, looking for a way out. Pedestrians are blocking vehicles from gaining access to the bridge. As of 04:00 ET, the number of protestors appears to have plateaued. Actual protest activity has diminished at this time, however the blockade is still present. Additional police resources from the OPP have arrived and are assisting WPS with traffic control and response. (Source: CBSA)

Update 04: At 10:38 ET, 09 February 2022, new information was received. The Convoy/protest continues in Windsor today. All lanes are currently blocked on Huron Church Road WB. Protestors have no plan for departure at this time. CBSA updates indicate the border is temporarily closed. No Canada bound traffic movement at Ambassador Bridge. Outbound traffic to US is open via Wyandotte St., however most commercial traffic is being redirected to Bluewater Bridge in Sarnia. Alternatively, passenger vehicles can still access the tunnel at Windsor/Detroit. Signs updated to encourage U.S. bound traffic to cross at Sarnia, Bluewater Bridge, from Windsor to Hwy 402 in London. (Source: Ministry of Transportation of Ontario)

Update 03: At 08:08 ET, 09 February 2022, new information was received. As of 20:00 ET last evening (Tuesday February 8, 2022), protesters stepped back onto the exit area of the Canadian Plaza located at the foot of Huron Church Road in Windsor, ON. This action essentially shutdown any inbound traffic into Canada (from the USA). From last evening and

into this morning, there continues to be no traffic flowing into Canada via the Ambassador Bridge from the USA as protesters continue to close this international conduit. The blockade location in Windsor is creating logistical challenges on the United States side of the border as traffic is diverting over to the Bluewater International Bridge at Port Huron, MI and Sarnia, ON where traffic movement across the Bluewater International Bridge is now up to a four hour wait (delay) as it slowly proceeds into Canada. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – Intermodal Surface Security Oversight (ISSO))

Update 02: At 16:40 ET, 08 February 2022, new information was received. At the Ambassador Bridge – the Windsor Police Service will attempt to escort 5 to 7 trucks northbound on Huron Church to the USA as a result of discussions with protestors to allow one northbound lane to be opened. The Police will monitor and assess if other protestors attempt to block this movement. All southbound lanes remain blocked – the plaza has been blocked by 6 separate protest sites involving personal vehicles and approximately 150 to 200 pedestrians. Windsor Tunnel – no delay reported and no protest activity. (Source: Canada Border Services Agency)

Update 01: As of 09:37 on 08 February 2022, the Ambassador Bridge has been closed and all Canadian-bound traffic has been diverted as the Windsor Police Service (WPS) cannot provide a clear traffic lane within the City of Windsor (Huron Church Street) to allow inbound traffic exit or the ability to get off of the bridge. Currently, the Ambassador Bridge have had all of their United States (US) ramps entering the approach to the bridge (Canada-bound) blocked. The Ambassador Bridge does continue to have 1 entrance point entering the approach that allows for minimal traffic to enter the US which has not been blocked by protesters at this time. The event appears to be growing in size as the buildup of the blockade is garnering additional support on social media. As a result of the impacts and closure to the Ambassador Bridge, the Windsor-Detroit tunnel is experience increased traffic at this time. Additionally, transport trucking is not permitted through the tunnel. (Source: Transport Canada – Ontario Region – Intermodal Surface Security Oversight (ISSO))

Description of threat/event: At 13:46 ET, 07 February 2022, the Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA) is reporting an ongoing slow roll convoy of approximately seventy-five (75) vehicles, comprised of one (1) farm tractor and primarily passenger vehicles was diverted from the Ambassador Bridge by Windsor Police in Windsor, ON. A group of slow roll vehicles looped around the bridge and returned to the area and have now blocked southbound (Canada-bound) traffic in the vicinity of Huron Church approximately five hundred meters (500m) from the Point of Entry. As a result, CBSA operations are impacted and cannot release commercial vehicles from primary inspection lanes (PIL) at this time. The Windsor Police have uniformed officers engaging with these vehicles. US bound traffic is still flowing, although US Customs and Border Protection (US CBP) still reporting a 60 Border Wait Time (BWT) for commercial trucks due to their ongoing Information Technology (IT) issues.

Source of reporting: Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA)

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Current Transport Canada Actions: Transport Canada is monitoring the situation.

- **Current Actions (other):** The Windsor Police have uniformed officers engaging with these vehicles.

- **Initial analysis/impact assessment on Canadian Transportation System:** CBSA operations are impacted and cannot release commercial vehicles from primary inspection lanes (PIL) at this time. US bound traffic is still flowing, although US Customs and Border Protection (US CBP) still reporting a 60 Border Wait Time (BWT) for commercial trucks due to their ongoing Information Technology (IT) issues

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- **Next Steps:** Updates will be provided should new information become available.

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